

quired by the Constitution, and making an appropriation therefor,

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

RICHARDSON, Vice-Chairman.

• REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE
ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, April 30, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 36, "An Act validating the extension of the corporate limits of cities of more than twenty-five hundred (2500) inhabitants according to the last United States census where such extension is made under the provision of any home rule charter or ordinance since the enactment of Chapter 110, General Laws of the Forty-first Legislature of the State of Texas of 1929, and validating all proceedings had, done or performed by the governing authorities of said cities or inhabitants thereof in regard to the question of the extension of city limits, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin Texas, April 30, 1930.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 397, "An Act making an appropriation to cover deficiencies in appropriations heretofore made for the support of the Judiciary Department of the State government of the fiscal years ending August 31, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930 and 1931, and for authorized deficiencies for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1931, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

FORTY-NINTH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Saturday, May 2, 1931)

The House met at 9 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

COMMUNICATION FROM HON.
JOE T. ROBINSON.

The Speaker laid before the House and had read, the following communication:

Little Rock, Ark.,
April 29, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas.

My dear Mr. Speaker: I am highly honored by the action of the House of Representatives in adopting the resolution inviting me to deliver an address to the Legislature of the State of Texas, and sincerely regret that I am unable to designate a time when I may avail myself of the privilege of doing so. May I state that my entire time for the next few weeks has already been pledged. I sincerely wish that conditions would permit me to accept.

There is no subject in which I am more profoundly interested than the preservation of harmony among Democrats. It is well known that members of both major political parties are divided on proposals to repeal or modify the Eighteenth Amendment, and that such proposals cannot be made the basis of partisan issues without sacrificing those economic reforms to which our organization must consecrate itself if Democrats are to achieve a national victory in 1932.

Please express to the House of Representatives my grateful appreciation for the courtesy extended me, and assure its members of my best wishes for the success of their labors.

With cordial greetings, sincerely yours,

JOE T. ROBINSON.

HOUSE BILL NO. 46 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 46, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the conservation, preservation and rehabilitation of the soils of this State, the elimination and prevention of agricultural and horticultural plant diseases and insects, by means of rotation of crops and otherwise; creating the Farm Conservation Commission; providing for the appointment of certain members of said Commission and for the

terms of office for same, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Alsup offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 46, page 1, by striking out line 27.

(Pending consideration of the amendment, Mr. Harrison of El Paso occupied the chair temporarily.)

(Speaker in the chair.)

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—49.

Adams of Jasper.	Harrison of Waller.
Alsup.	Hill.
Baker.	Holland.
Barron.	Howsley.
Beck.	Jones of Shelby.
Bond.	Lasseter.
Boyd.	Long.
Brooks.	McCombs.
Bryant.	McGill.
Burns of Walker.	Moffett.
Dodd.	Moore.
Dunlap.	Munson.
Duvall.	Ratliff.
Elliott.	Scott.
Farmer.	Sherrill.
Farrar.	Sparkman.
Ferguson.	Stephens.
Fisher.	Strong.
Giles.	Tarwater.
Goodman.	Turner.
Graves.	Wagstaff.
Grogan.	Walker.
Hardy.	Warwick.
Harrison	Wiggs.
of El Paso.	Young.

Nays—49.

Adamson.	Hubbard.
Adkins.	Hughes.
Akin.	Johnson
Albritton.	of Dallam.
Bradley.	Johnson of Morris.
Brice.	Laird.
Carpenter.	Lemens.
Coltrin.	Leonard.
Cox of Limestone.	Lockhart.
Dale.	McDougald.
Daniel.	Magee.
Davis.	Mathis.
Engelhard.	Metcalfe.
Forbes.	Olsen.
Ford.	O'Quinn.
Gilbert.	Pope.
Harman.	Ramsey.
Hatchitt.	Ray.
Hines.	Sanders.
Holder.	Satterwhite.

Savage.	Towery.
Smith of Wood.	Veatch.
Stevenson.	West of Coryell.
Steward.	Westbrook.
Sullivant.	Wyatt.

Present—Not Voting.

Claunch.	Nicholson.
Hanson.	Rountree.
Kennedy.	

Absent.

Adams of Harris.	Jones of Atascosa.
Anderson.	Justiss.
Bedford.	Kayton.
Bounds.	Keller.
Burns	Lee.
of McCulloch.	Lilley.
Caven.	McGregor.
Coombes.	Martin.
Cox of Lamar.	Mehl.
Cunningham.	Murphy.
DeWolfe.	Patterson.
Donnell.	Petsch.
Dowell.	Richardson.
Dwyer.	Rogers.
Finn.	Shelton.
Fuchs.	Smith of Bastrop.
Greathouse.	Terrell
Hefley.	of Cherokee.
Herzik.	Terrell
Holloway.	of Val Verde.
Hoskins.	Van Zandt.
Jackson.	Vaughan.
Johnson	Weinert.
of Dimmit.	West of Cameron.

Absent—Excused.

Morse.	Reader.
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Paired.

Mr. Kennedy (present), who would vote "yea," with Mr. Fuchs (absent), who would vote "nay."

On motion of Mr. Gilbert, the bill was laid on the table subject to call.

RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and its caption had been read, the following enrolled resolution:

H. C. R. No. 53, Relative to Water and Soil Conservation Week.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, May 2, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Sir: I am directed by the Senate to

inform the House that the Senate has adopted conference committee report on House bill No. 625 by the following vote: Yeas 28, nays 0.

The Senate has passed

H. B. No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2956 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, and repealing all laws in conflict; said amended article relating to suffrage and providing who may exercise the privilege of voting an absentee ballot, and prescribing the conditions under which said voting shall be conducted, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate has adopted

S. J. R. No. 9, Proposing an amendment to Section 5, of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, fixing the salary of the Governor; providing for its submission to the voters of the State of Texas as required by the Constitution, and making appropriation therefor.

H. J. R. No. 5, Proposing an amendment of Section 7, Article II, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing counties and cities bordering on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico by a vote of two-thirds of the qualified property tax-paying voters therein voting to levy and collect such tax for construction of sea walls, break-waters or sanitary purposes as authorized by law and authorizing the creation of a debt for such works and the issuance of bonds in evidence thereof and providing for submission of same to the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on July 25, A. D. 1931, and providing the necessary proclamation and appropriation to defray the expenses of the proclamation, publication and election.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

PROVIDING FOR PRINTING OF SESSION LAWS.

Mr. Keller offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 55, Providing for printing of copies of Session Laws.

Whereas, There have been many bills passed by the present Forty-second Legislature of the State of Texas, and

Whereas, The membership of the

House and the Senate do not have any way of seeing the bills after they are passed, unless each member requests a copy from the Secretary of State, which would mean a great cost to the State; and

Whereas, It is very important that the membership have these laws in order that they may be able to correct any errors which might be in them; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby, instructed to furnish the printer, who prints the Journals, a copy of all laws filed in her office up to and including today, and that the printer be and is hereby instructed to print said laws as a supplement to the Journal, and that said supplement be separate from the Journal, but be of the same size, and that the Senate be furnished with 200 copies and the House with 400 copies. Be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be instructed, on Friday of each week hereafter, to furnish the said printer with a copy of all laws filed with her during the week and that the said printer is hereby instructed to print such laws in a supplement as provided above.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, May 2, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

H. B. No. 628, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the compressing cotton at the nearest compress which is transported over the public highway by carriers for hire by motor vehicle; fixing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HON. JOUETT SHOUSE.

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following communication:

Washington, D. C.,
May 2, 1931.

Hon. Bob Barker, Secretary, State
Senate, Austin, Texas.

Your telegram April 29 received upon my return to Washington from Kentucky today. Would an address to Texas Legislature on May 12 be agreeable? If I am to consider coming, that is earliest date I could reach there, because of prior engagements. Please answer.

JOUETT SHOUSE.

COMMUNICATION FROM MRS.
NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS.

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following communication:

Washington, D. C.,
May 2, 1931.

Hon. Bob Barker, Secretary, State
Senate, Austin, Texas.

Please convey to Legislature of Texas my profound appreciation of honor extended national committee by its expressed desire that Mr. Shouse or I visit and address it before adjournment. Have delayed replying until hearing definitely whether Mr. Shouse could reach there in time. If he cannot I shall earnestly try to make such adjustment of my engagements as will enable me to go. Please give assurance to Legislature that nothing could give me more personal pleasure.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 10, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 3891 as amended by House bill No. 9, Chapter 20, of the Fourth Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature; repealing all provisions of law in conflict with this act, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed to engrossment?

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION ON
FIRST READING.

S. J. R. No. 9 was received from the Senate today, read first time and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. Pope gave notice that he would, on next Monday, move to take up for consideration at that time, House bill No. 91.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. DeWolfe moved that the House adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m., next Monday.

Mr. Boyd moved that the House recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

The motion of Mr. DeWolfe prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 12:15 o'clock p. m., adjourned to 9 o'clock a. m., next Monday.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE
REPORT.

The Committee on Appropriations filed a favorable report on Senate bill No. 614.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, May 2, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 53: Relative to Soil Conservation,

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

BOUNDS, Vice-Chairman.

FIFTIETH DAY.

(Monday, May 4, 1931.)

The House met at 9 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Adams of Jasper.	Beck.
Adamson.	Bedford.
Adkins.	Bond.
Akin.	Bounds.
Albritton.	Boyd.
Alsup.	Bradley.
Anderson.	Brice.
Baker.	Brooks.
Barron.	Bryant.